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- 25X1 1. In the Susak area from the old castle at Trsat along the Recina river [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] rows of concrete and stone bunkers are being constructed - a
25X1 total of 52, each large enough to accommodate 20-25 soldiers with machine guns.
25X1 In addition, machine gun nests are located at road junctions, at approaches
25X1 to settled areas, and at cemeteries and isolated chapels. New trenches have
25X1 been dug and old ones reconstructed along the line, Trsat - Svilno - Pasac
(sic) - Grachovo (sic) - Grobnik - Dursice (sic) - Jelenje. Fortifications
and bunkers have been well camouflaged with rock piles and newly planted trees.
Tombs at the entrances to cemeteries have been converted into bunkers.
2. There are four artillery installations for long-range guns on the Gradisce mountain height 577, with concrete platforms eight to ten meters square, about 60 cm. high. Under each platform is a vaulted underground section with wooden frames and two exits. Doors to the exits are steel built into concrete, 10 cm. thick, 1.25 meters wide and 1.80 meters high. The doors are closed on the outside by three strong iron bolts. There are no guards.
3. The area between Podvezica and Skrljevo (sic) is "restricted" and admittance is permitted only to official persons in possession of special passes from the local commander in Susak. There are six large bunkers 368, 359, 283 and behind Kukuljanovo, on which Italian coastal guns (captured at Fiume in 1945) are being mounted. There are eight similar bunkers from Skrljevo to Plase. They are located near height 203, near Svib at height 614, between Jelovka and Krasica on the so-called "Mec" (height 736), and near Plase (height 551). It is not known if guns have been installed.
4. Ten to twelve camouflaged, medium-sized artillery bunkers have been located in the neighborhood of Zlobin. Close investigation was not possible, however, since soldiers of the 3rd Air Force regiment from Novi Sad and members of the youth brigade are in considerable force throughout the region.
5. The Vinodol defense line runs from Senj through Ledenica - Bribir - Grizani - Antovo - Ropac (sic) - Domjani (sic) - height 348 - Sv. Trojica - Kraljevica. All these fortifications were constructed or rebuilt according to modern requirements. High-ranking Soviet and Yugoslav officers are always at hand in this region.

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